34. JAMES DAVIDSON Clerk & merchant, Sydney 1829-1845
Arrived in Sydney on Monday 6 July 1829, per the 226 tonne brig "Ionia", as a cabin passenger (paid own passage), free settler, ex England.

Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardine, Scotland: 15 November 1800, "November 15. George Davidson in Laur(ence)kirk & Isobel Croll his spouse had a son baptized James."
Marriages in Sydney: James did not marry. I doubt he ever lived with any of his mistresses. He was the only James Davidson in Sydney between 1830-36, and had illegitimate children with:
Mary Ann Maguire (1834), **Anne Kelly** (1835 and 1838), **Esther Virtue** (1839 and 1842) and possibly **Margaret ?** (1833, 1834).
Died at Calcutta, India: 21 April 1851, James Davidson. NSW probate 9 Sep 1852. His father's death certificate says James died ca 1852, aged 51.
The late Mr James Davidson of Sydney. Persons having properly authenticated claims against the late James Davidson, who died in Calcutta in the month of April 1851, are invited to exhibit the same to E H Pollard Bonded Stores, Queens Place. July 7.
Sydney Morning Herald, 8 July 1852.
Will of James Davidson.
In the Name of God Amen I James Davidson of the Town of Calcutta considering the evils and uncertainties of this life Do make publish and declare this to be my last and only Will and Testament hereby revoking all former or other Will or Wills or Codocils thereto made by me.
I give devise and bequeath all my real and personal Estate of what nature or ? unto Edward Hutchiston Pollard Esquire and Alexander Campbell Esquire Members of the firm of Messieurs Campbell H? of New South Wales. Upon the following Trusts that is to say Upon Trust as soon as possible after my decease to sell the same and every part thereof and from and out of the proceeds thereof to pay all my just debts funeral and Testamentary Expenses And in the next place Upon Trust after payment as last aforesaid of said debts and funeral and Testamentary Expenses to divide the residue equally between my **two Sons James Davidson and George Wiseman Davidson** share and share alike as tenants in common on their respectively attaining the Age of Twenty one years Provided always that should either of my said Two children die before they should attain the age of Twenty one years then upon Trust as to such my deceased child's share to handover the ? to the other who shall attain the age of Twenty one years. And also in case both my said children shall die before attaining the age of Twenty one years Then upon Trust to hand the residue of said Trust property and Estate to such persons as are by Law entitled to receive the same. And for the information of my said Trustees hereinbefore named I declare that I am possessed of Ninety Hunters River Steam shares Hunters River Sydney and a piece of ground at Portland Bay near Melbourne South Australia.

And I hereby appoint the aforesaid Edward Hutchinson Pollard Esquire and Alexander Campbell Esquire to be Executors of this my Will In Witness whereof I the said James Davidson have to this last my last Will and Testament set my hand this Twentieth day of April One thousand eight hundred and fifty one. Signed by Ja Davidson (a very sickly signature)

James Davidson worked for Hughes & Hosking, perhaps the largest business in Sydney, from 1836 until 1844. In 1844, he wrote that as chief clerk (accountant) he had "managed the business". He bought Eumarella Station at Macarthur, Victoria with John Hosking. They both bought land in New Zealand. Clearly, James Davidson had very rich and powerful friends in Sydney.

MR. JOHN HOSKING'S OBITUARY
Forty years ago Mr Hosking occupied a very prominent position as.... Mayor of Sydney and (part owner) of Hughes and Hosking, at one time was doing **perhaps the largest business in the colony.** Hosking joined his brother-in-law, the late Mr John Terry Hughes, and established the great firm of Hughes and Hosking of this city**.** They had an **extensive mercantile shipping and steam flour business,** and were about **the largest landed proprietors in the colony.** In 1841 the Albion Mills burnt down... the firm sustained heavy losses, their books and papers being all destroyed. At the public sale at Sydney of allotments in the "town of Melbourne," Hughes and Hosking were the **largest purchasers, nearly one-half of several Melbourne main streets** having been bought by them at about upset prices. Sydney Morning Herald, Friday 22 September 1882.

The Albion Mills, in Darling Harbour, Sydney. On Sussex Street at the foot of Market Street (on the left hand side, at the southern end of Sydney Harbour Bridge).

How many children did James Davidson have?
Martha Davidson's father was described a "clerk" in her 1834 christening document.
The following death notice found in the SMH in 1882 shows James' other children also included Jessie (Mrs Cocks), Mary Jane (Mrs Wood), George and James:
DAVIDSON -January 2, at his residence, Mahe Seychelles, Mauritius, **James**, the dearly beloved husband of M. J. Davidson, **brother of Mrs. Cocks**, Castlereagh-street (Sydney); **Mrs S D Wood**, Bathurst; and **George Davidson**, Honolulu; also the eldest son of the **late James Davidson, of Sydney**, leaving an affectionate wife, family, and relatives to mourn their loss; deeply regretted by all who know him.
Sydney Morning Herald 27 Feb 1882.

My great-great-great grandfather James Davidson was a very busy man, both in the nest and in business. It is said truth is much stranger than fiction. Read James' remarkable story and you will believe this. :)

CHILDREN
ELLEN DAVIDSON Christened at St Mary's (Catholic) Cathedral, Sydney: 19 September 1833, Ellen daughter of James Davidson and Margaret Alldron (Waldron). Illegitimate birth. There was only ONE

James Davidson in Sydney 1830-37.

17. MARTHA DAVIDSON Born at Sydney, NSW: 11 June 1834. Christened at Sydney St Phillips. Martha daughter of James & Mary Ann Davidson. James' occupation: clerk. Church of England. Martha was **illegitimate**. Her **mother was Mary Ann Maguire**.

JESSIE DAVIDSON Born 13 Mar 1835. Christened19 Apr 1835 at Sydney St Phillips. Jessie daughter of James & Ann Davidson. Abode: Sydney. Profession: clerk. From another source: Father James Davidson (**clerk**), now at Geelong. **Mother Anne Kelly**. Married: 7 November 1857, by special licence at St James Church, John Cocks of Beeralston Devon & Jessie Davidson. Died at 15 Bligh Street, Sydney: 6 Jan 1903, Jessie Cocks. Widow, aged 67. **Father James Davidson, general merchant. Mother Jessie Jones**. Buried at Waverley, Church of England, 7 January 1903. Married at Sydney: aged 22 to John Cocks. Children: John W, 39; Mary J (Shalvey) 36, Jessie A (James) 33; Thomas E 31, Keturah L (Walsh) 29, George W 26, May E 23, living; 4 males deceased.
After their marriage Jessie and John Cocks, a miner from Cornwall or Devon, went mining around NSW before settling back in Sydney where they ran a hotel in Double Bay (1873-75) and then the European Hotel in Castlereagh Street (1875-81). Family stories suggest sisters Jessie and Mary Jane were very close. Some of Mary Jane's children worked at John Cocks' European Hotel.

MARY JANE DAVIDSON Born 10 April 1838. Christened at Sydney St Andrews on 2 September 1838. Parents James Davidson & Ann Kelly. **Abode: Sydney now Port Phillip (Geelong).** Married at Tambaroora, NSW: 6 February 1860, Samuel Duncan Wood, goldminer, aged 29, bachelor, born England and Mary Jane Davidson, spinster, servant, born Sydney. Both living at Tambaroora. Married at the residence of John Cocks, Tambaroora. Died at "Cooberry" Wood Street, Randwick: 12 March 1912, Mary Jane Wood. Aged 74 years 11 months (born April 1837?). **Father James Davidson**, occupation unknown. **Mother Ann Jones**. Children: Frank 51, George 48, Frederick 42, Edith P 39, Emily 35, 1 female deceased. Demise - Another old resident in the person of Mr Samuel Duncan Wood died this morning at the age of 67 years. Mr Wood has been a resident of the city for the last 18 years, and for several years prior to taking up his residence here he lived on the Turon & Hill End gold fields. After coming to Bathurst he filled the position of verger in All Saints Cathedral and was universally respected.... (He) leaves a widow and five children, three sons and two daughters... Bathurst Free Press & Mining Journal, 15 July 1897.

JAMES DAVIDSON born as **JAMES DAVISON VIRTUE**. Born 1839. Christened at Sydney Scots Church or St Andrews Church: 18 February 1839. Mother Esther Virtue. The father James Davidson is not mentioned. **Illegitimate birth**. James Davidson, born ca 1838, is listed as a merchant navy seaman 1853-57.

Married Mary Jane Peperr/Piper/Pyper.
Died at Port Victoria, Mahe Island, Seychelles: 2 January 1882, James Davidson, aged 43 (born 1838-39?) . Government servant. **Father James Davidson**. **Mother Esther Virtice** (Virtue). Wife Mary Jane Piper/ Pyper.
DAVIDSON -January 2, at his residence, Mahe Seychelles, Mauritius, James, the dearly beloved **husband of M. J. Davidson**, **brother of Mrs. Cocks**, Castlereagh-street; **Mrs S D Wood**, Bathurst; and **George Davidson**, Honolulu; also the eldest son of the **late James Davidson, of Sydney**, leaving an affectionate wife, family, and relatives to mourn their loss; deeply regretted by all who know him. Sydney Morning Herald 27 Feb 1882.
Children born in the Seychelles: Dora Winnifred, 4 Sept 1882, Port Victoria; Florence Mary, 11 October 1872, Port Victoria; Mabel Grace, 21 Sept 1875, Port Victoria, buried 1951, aged 75 at Islington, London ; Sydney James*, 26 August 1870, Victoria.
1891 Census, Kentish Road, St Pancras, Pancras, London.
Mary J Davidson, head, widow, aged 49 (born 1842), superintendant dental manufacturer, born Scotland; Sydney J Davidson, son, aged 20 (born 1871), merchant clerk, born Seychelles Islands; Florence M Davidson, aged 18 (born 1873), telephonic clerk, born Seychelles Islands; Marie G Davidson, aged 15 (born 1876?), born Seychelles Islands; Dora M Davidson, aged 8 (born 1883?), scholar, born Seycheles Islands.
1901 Census, 24 Montpelier Road, St Pancras, London, England
Mary J Davidson, head, widow, aged 59 (born 1842), forewoman dental factory, born Scotland; Mabel G Davidson, daughter, aged 25 (born 1876), born Seychelles Islands; Dora W Davidson, daughter, aged 18 (born 1883?) assistant teacher board school, born Seychelle Islands.
1911 Census: 37a Anson Road, Tufnell Park north, Islington, London.
Mary Ann Davidson, head, widow, aged 69 (born 1842), no job, born Montrose, Forfarshire; Mabel Grace Davidson, daughter, aged 33 (born 1878), no job, born Seychelle Islands; Dora Winifred Davidson, daughter, age 28 (born 1833), elementary school leader, born Seychelles Islands.
WWI deaths: James S Davidson* (1) 1916, temporary captain, ATTDMGC; (2) 37826, 1917, private machine gun corps; or (3) 550660, 1918, labour corps.

GEORGE WISEMAN DAVIDSON Born 26 September 1842, Sydney NSW. Christened at St James, Sydney :15 October 1842. Parents James & Esther Davidson. 1861 Census (see below): **engineer's apprentice**, Galloway St Nicholas, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.
George Davidson. Of Honolulu in 1882 (in his brother James' death notice). Death: 16 July 1878, George W Davidson of Yarraberg (top of Burnley Street, Richmond and the river), Melbourne, farmer. Probate: 13 March 1879 to Isabella Davidson.

Children with Margaret in Sydney: Ellen Davidson, 1833 and 1834; ~~Jessy Davidson, 1840 and Margaret Davidson, 1846.~~

Newspaper information shows the Davidson sisters (and their husbands) were also very close and certainly acknowledged all their Donnithorne and Jones's half siblings ..... and, now, obviously they did the same with their Davidson half siblings! Jenny Cocks.

James Davidson in Sydney
James is not in the 1828 NSW Census. So he arrived in Sydney after this date!
Profession: Clerk, on daughter Martha's baptism certificate. Martha was illegitimate, her mother was Mary Ann Maguire*.
Arrival in Sydney. James Davison arrived in Sydney on 06 Jul 1829, per **'Ionia';** one of only two cabin passengers (paid own fare); **free settler, ex England.** 'Ionia': (1) the brig arrived from Sydney 16th May. Hobart Town Courier. 30 May 1829; (2) left Hobart on 29 June for Sydney. The ship carried wool, wheat and potatoes. Captain C L Buck. Twelve crew, British, 226 tonnes. The ship was totally wrecked in Bass Strait on 31 Sep 1829 on its way to Mauritius. The sea voyage from Liverpool to Sydney took about four months
Lloyd's Register of Shipping, 1827-28: Ionia. Brig. Captain Buck. 214 tonnes. Built Chepstow. Repaired 1821. Built 1818. Owned by the American Captain Buck & Co. Sailed between Liverpool to New South Wales. 12 feet water draught when fully loaded. "Proved iron cable", means rigged using wire rope. Length: 86 ft 5 in. Breadth (below): 24 ft 5 in. Depth: 14 ft 3 in. 1 deck. 2 masts. square stern. Hull covered in copper.

Clerk or merchant in Sydney, 1828-1845+.
On 12 November 1838, Mr Davison is described as "**chief clerk**" **at Messrs. Hughes & Hosking** (merchants). Sydney Herald. 12 November 1838. This records links to James Davidson (see below): "merchant" in 1833; "working for Dawes, Gore & Co" (merchants) in 1834; a "merchant" in 1839. In 1832 he was working as "a dealer, Kent Street, Sydney".

1828. NSW Muster. Not in NSW.
1832. NSW Calendar & POD: (a) **J Davison, dealer** Kent St, Sydney; 1832. James Davison, assault. Bail £10. 29 October. 1832. James Davidson of Sydney. Application for 1 convict granted. 1832. .... house of Mr Davison in Elizabeth Street Sydney. Sydney Gazette & NSW Advertiser. 30th October.
1833. Sydney Almanac & POD. **James Davidson, merchant**, Sydney. 1833. Quarter sessions cases. January 1833, James Davidson, Sydney.
1834. Sydney, POD. **James Davidson**. **Working for Dawes, Gore & Co** (**merchants**), Pitt St & Castlereagh Sts. **1834. James Davidson working for Dawes, Gore & Co. 1834.** Court case. "a scuffle took place, but order was restored by the interposition of Mr Davidson, a gentleman connected with the

counting-house (where the financial records were kept and maintained) of Messrs. Dawes, Gore & Co. " SMH, 21April 1834.
1834. Supreme court. "These letters were admitted by **Mr Davidson, clerk to Mr (John) Richards**, in his Coach Establishment, by whom they were written. Sydney Morning Herald, June 1834. 1834. LAW INTELLIGENCE. SUPREME COURT-Civil Side. 12 March. PARK v. COOPER. Action to recover £44 over-paid for wool. ... **Mr James Davison (Davidson),** proved the payment of the cheque for the whole amount..... Sydney Morning Herald, 20 March 1834.
1834. J Davidson 09 Sep 1834, subscribes to Edward Lombe Fund.
1834. 5 November. Sydney Gazette. James Davison, merchant or resident living in or near Sydney.

1836. James Davidson, Castlereagh Street, Sydney.
1836. James Davidson (employee) of **Albion Mill**, advertises for a bookkeeper. Salary £200-300. 21 September, The Australian.

1838. STRAYED. From the neighbourhood of Wooloomoolo, last night about 9 o'clock, and ran towards town, supposed to the stable in Castlereagh-street, a PONEY MARE, with saddle and bridle. Whoever will give information to the undersigned, leading to the discovery of the Mare, shall receive £1 Reward; and any person detaining her after this notice will be prosecuted. JAMES DAVIDSON. Albion Mills. 8 March 1838. The Australian, 9 March 1838.
1838. Mr Davison “chief clerk” at Messrs**. Hughes & Hosking (merchants**).
Sydney Herald, 12 November 1838.
1839. Mr Davison clerk to Messrs Hughes & Hosking. 21 February, The Australian.
1839. LAW. SUPREME COURT. .... ordered to pay the fines.... for not attending as Juror.... James Davidson, merchant £5. The Australian, 19 February 1839. In another newspaper, described as **James Davison Esq**(uire). 1840. James Davidson. £2 donation for Sir R Bourke’s statue. The Australian, 14 March 1840.
Presbyterian Church. The following subscriptions have been paid up for the purpose of erecting in the South end of Sydney, a Presbyterian Church, in connexion with the Established Church of Scotland. **James Davidson, Esq**, Castlereagh-street £2. The Colonist, 8 Jan 1840.
1841. James Davidson (employee) of **Albion Mill**. Tries to save books during **Mill fire**. The Australian, 06 March 1841.
1841. ANOTHER ACCOUNT (of **Mill Fire**). The fire broke out in the bakehouse (next to) a store containing a large quantity of tar and pitch ...so extreme was the heat, and so dense the smoke before the fire reached even the mill and other premises, that it was impossible with safety to approach the galleries leading into the counting-house, far less to have attempted the removal of three large iron safes, in which the books and papers were contained, and which were London fire-proof. The safety of many valuable documents and papers in Mr

Hosking's secretary and drawers, were an immediate consideration, and **Messrs Hosking and Davidson** attempted ingress quite at the back of the stores over a mount of coals piles up to the height of the verandah, but found the sacrifice of their lives would have been the consequence ..... Some of the clerks, even before the fire might be said to have burst forth, ascended the galleries leading to the counting-houses, but were soon compelled to retreat **...Mr Davidson** got upon the verandah a very considerable time before the fire reached the building, and only escaped suffocation from the smoke of the pitch by throwing himself from the verandah ..... The Australian, 6 March 1841.
1841. MESSRS HUGHES & HOSKING will feel much obliged to parties holding their promissory notes and other obligations to render them particulars of the same, the late fire at their premises in Sussex-street having partially destroyed several of their books and papers. These accommodations to be put under cover to **Mr Davidson**, at Mr Hosking's, Pitt Street. Australasian Chronicle, 13 March 1841.
1841. NEW ZEALAND. LAND CLAIMS.
His Excellency the Governor directs it to be notified, that the following claims to lands in New Zealand have been referred to the commissioners. James Ted Goodsir, and **James Davidson, of Sydney, Esqrs**., claimants; a piece or parcel of land. Alleged to have been purchased in December 1839. John Hosking, of Sydney, claimant in part; a piece or parcel of land. Alleged to have been purchased in December 1839. Also John Hosking, of Sydney, merchant, claimant in part, a piece or parcel of land. Alleged to have been purchased in October 1838. The Australasian Chronicle, 25 March 1841.
1841. James Davidson. Testimonial to A.L. Porsche. The Australian, 29 April 1841.
1841. James Davidson. Particulars of **Hosking & Hughes** promissory notes to be supplied to him.
The Australian, 11 Mar 1841. 1841. LAW INTELLIGENCE. HUGHES AND HOSKINGS V JAMES SMITH. This was an action brought by the plaintiffs as indorsees of the defendant's promissory note to one Kennedy for £100, dated the 14th of December last, payable three months after date, and indorsed by Kennedy to the plaintiffs.....The plea was that the defendant did not make the note ..... had received from one **Davidson, a clerk of the plantiffs**. Mr Davidson proved that on the 2d of March last there was a fire at the plaintiff's premises; that he had charge of the tin bill box which contained all the plaintiff's notes; and that he gave Mr Rogers an account of a note which had been in that box and which he was sure was destroyed with the other notes in the box at the fire. Upon his cross examination, Mr Davidson said that he would swear that he had seen the note a week before the fire. This evidence closed the plaintiff's case. Sydney Herald, 26 July 1841.
1841. Copy of Mr Davidson's Sketch of Messrs Hughes and Hocking's Testimonial promised to Mr Pasche, has been in our employment as CHIEF BOOK KEEPER and ACCOUNTANT for the last three years... we cannot recommend his services too strongly where such qualifications may be required. Sydney Herald, 16 September 1841.

1841. LAW INTELLIGENCE. J T HUGHES AND ISAAC SIMMONS. .... **Mr Davidson the cashier of Messrs Hughes and Hosking**, proved the existence of the note (before the occurrence of the fire) as described by the plaintiffs....it had been kept among others in a cash-box... destroyed by the fire. Mr Davidson also proved that it was impossible any one could have had access to the box but himself, and that it must have been destroyed by the fire. Sydney Herald, 26 October 1841.
1841. James Davison paid 10 shillings to enter a **sailing regatta** at the Captain Cook Regatta Club in Sydney. Australasian Chronicle. Thursday 4 February 1841. 1841. "We had a violent storm of thunder and lightning, on Thursday night, during which Mr. James Davidson, connected with the firm of **Messrs. Hughes and Hosking**, lost several fowls, which were roosting in a tree behind his house, in **Castlereagh-street**, at the foot of which they were found dead, in the morning. The storm returned yesterday, after a forenoon of oppressive heat."
Sydney Gazette, 18 Dec 1841. .
1842. LAW INTELLIGENCE. HUGHES AND CO. F J GORE, and OTHERS. Seems theye were "running mercantile accounts of long standing between the plaintiffs and Gore"... with Hughes & CO owed about £1100. **Mr Davidson, the plaintiff's managing clerk**, swore that the balance of the account would no doubt be in favour of the plaintiffs. Sydney Herald, 9 April 1842.
1842. J Davidson, 1842. Gave £1 to Mrs Fraser's collection, husband & son murdered. 1842. Citizens List, Phillip Ward, City of Sydney. James Davidson, **house Castlereagh Street Sydney**.
The Australian, 23 September 1842. **1842. James Davidson, accountant, Castlereagh Street Sydney.** 'Where am I to find £500 I know not,' written to James Reid of Newcastle, 21 Jul 1842. Cattle bills? 1842. James Davidson 50 acres at Petersham. Page 41, Land Grants, 1841 **1842. Eumarella Station, Portland, Victoria.** Aboriginal tribes lived in two areas around Mount Eccles. They constructed stone huts in both areas and stone fish traps at Lake Condah, and lived on fish, native plants and animals. They were permanent residents in these areas until European settlement slowly pushed them out. Macarthur on the Eumeralla river, was originally called Eumeralla, thought to be an aboriginal name meaning " Valley of Plenty". It was a settlement of pastoral licences long before any towns appeared. Macarthur (named a town in 1857) was a popular resting place half-way between Hamilton ("The Grange") and Port Fairy (Belfast). Travellers rested at the Eumeralla Inn. Pastoral Licences. The Pastoral Run that began in **1842 as Eumeralla** was divided into two licences - "Eumeralla West" and "Eumeralla East". Both Eumeralla licences were taken up in 1842 by **Hunter, Hosking*** & **Davidson of Sydney**, and sold to Benjamin Boyd in 1843. The 1840s depression caught up with some high flying business men, including the **first Mayor of Sydney, John Hosking**, who went bankrupt and had to retire from the Council in 1843.
1843. Supreme Court. James Davidson witness. The 1843 Depression in Sydney, caused by Hughes & Hosking going insolvent, brought down the Bank of Australia. This would have forced James Davidson to

sell out of **Eumaralla Station, Portland**: 1843. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN. The partnership in the station at **Eumaralla** in the district of Port Fairy, Portland Bay, its stock etc: James Hunter, of Eumaralia, settler, is removed; leaving **John Hosking Esq., and Mr James Davidson, both of Sydney** as owners**.** Dated 22 April 1843.
Portland Guardian & Normanby Advertiser, 20 May 1843. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN. In the partnership in Eumaralla station between James Hunter, late of Eumaralla, and John Hosking and James Davidson both of Sydney. Hunter has been removed. All monies due will only be received by John Hosking and James Davidson at Sydney, or at Eumaralla by Mr Alexander Ellison Dare, their agent. People are cautioned not to purchase or receive any stock or produce of the said station, except from the parties last mentioned, or proceedings for the recovery thereof will be immediately instituted. Sydney 22nd April 1843. 1844. In the estate of John Gray claims against J Davidson of £17.
Sydney Morning Herald 1 April 1844.
1844. LAND GRIEVANCES. The Evidence of Mr Boyd before the Committee. I bought Eumarella station from **Messrs Hosking and Davidson, at Portland Bay.** (Though) **the station** should be transferred to me in its integrity…the commissioner determined upon dividing it and gave to others the homestead which I had paid for, and which **Mr Davidson** informed me had cost nearly £2000 (about $500,000 in 2020). The Australian, 6 September 1844.
1845. **Supreme Court. Hughes & Hosking and Bank of Australasia.** (The liabilities) of Messrs. Hughes and Hosking to the Bank of Australasia in January 1843... was £95,000. It ought to be £80,294 (according to) **James Davidson**, an **officer of** Hughes and Hosking. Sydney Morning Herald Tuesday 2 May 1845.SUPREME COURT --CIVIL SIDE. 24 July 1845
Three judges and a special jury. The Bank of Australasia. Day 14. **James Davidson**: "**I was in the service of Hughes and Hosking, as a clerk in January 1843 and thence up to the time of their sequestration** [seizure of the company to protect its creditors**]. I managed their business**, and was in the frequent habit of going to the Bank of Australasia on their business. I received (lists of our liabilities from the bank) about every month or six weeks. "
Sydney Morning Herald, 24 July 1845. 1845. LAW INTELLIGENCE. APPEAL AGAINST THE INSOLVENT COURT FOR SUSPENDING JOHN HOSKINGS CERTIFICATE for 12 months (goes for 2 pages). … The trustees obtained all the books of the firm kept at the **office in George-street, and Mr Davidson, who was our accountant** had instruction from me to deliver them to the trustees.
Sydney Morning Herald, 28 April 1845**.**
James Davidson & Rudd, Auctioneers. George Street, Sydney. April 1844-March 1845. MESSRS (JAMES) DAVIDSON & RUDD beg to inform their friends and the public that they will commence business forthwith as Auctioneers & General Agents, at their House in Charlotte-place, George-street. The premises are very spacious, and particularly well adapted for the reception of goods of every

description, they will be happy to take in charge any property at the most moderate rate of rent. They hope that their experience in business generally will secure them a share of the public favour.
Sydney Morning Herald, 18 April 1844.
DAVIDSON & RUDD have received instructions to sell by auction, preemptorily at their rooms, No 16 Charlotte Place, on Monday 3 February: 1265 sheep, etc (from an insolvent estate.
Sydney Morning Herald, 28 January 1845.
Davidson & Rudd auctions in SMH, May-December 1844.
They had 250 odd advertisements in newspapers during this time! (www.trove.nla. gov.au). Here is a small collection: May (1) the Cutter Will-o-Wisp, 12 tons; (2) silver plate, Journal of Science 23 vols, etc; (3) 400 woolpacks; 40 barrels vinegar, 1000lb tobacco, surgical instruments; (4) salt, rope, cement; (4) wines, gunpowder; (5) Roman cement, manila rope, salt. June (1) general merchandise; (2) horses & mares. July (1) books; (2) cottages & land; (3) 150 cattle, 640 acres land. July (1) sheep, cattle, tallow. August (1) brandy, gin, wines, silver plate & ware; (2) 400+ vols of valuable books. October (1) books; (2) rope, wine, moleskins.
JAMES DAVIDSON & RUDD. AUCTIONEERS. The partnership hitherto subsisting between us, is this day dissolved. All debts due to the late firm of Davidson and Rudd, to be paid to Mr Rudd, who will conduct the business on the same premises (in George Street, Sydney) as heretofore. Signed James Davidson, Thomas Rudd.
Witness Robert Thomson, Sydney, 1March. Sydney Morning Herald, 5 March 1845
1845. Mr James Davison (one of only five persons who) bought a booth for the Petersham Races (Sydney). Bell's Life in Sydney & Sporting Reviewer. 20 December.
1845. James Davidson. Trustee Phillip District (Sydney). Sydney Gazette, 22 December 1845.

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Sydney Rate Assessment Books:
In 1842, there were 3,202 electors enrolled to vote in Sydney: Gipps Ward (The Rocks, Millers Point) 534; Brisbane Ward (West Sydney, west of George Street) 584; Macquarie Ward (Central Sydney, south of King Street) 622; Bourke Ward (Central Sydney, north of King Street) 535; Cook Ward (Potts Point, Woolloomooloo, Surry Hills) 243; **Phillip Ward (Head of Darling Harbour, Chippendale, Ultimo, Pyrmont) 684.** The right to vote was tied to occupation of property and the payment of rates assessed on that property. In 1842 every adult male who occupied a "house warehouse counting house or shop" in the city with an annual value of £25 could vote. Provided that he had lived in the city or within seven miles of its

boundaries for at least a year. Tenants paid the rates for property and this entitled them to vote.
1845. Phillip Ward, Sydney. **51 Castlereagh Street**. Person rated: William Pendray. **Owner/landlord: James Davidson**. Gross annual value (GAV) £25. Brick House, shingled. One floor. Three rooms. Detached kitchen.
1848. (1) Morris' Building. Person rated: James Davidson (not owner): (2) Wilmot Street, Person rated: James Davidson.
1851 and 1852. Bourke Ward, Sydney. Castlereagh Street. Person rated: **James Davidson** (not owner). Brick house, shingled roof. GAV £104. According to the 1851 Census there were 11,954 adult males in the City of Sydney, but the Sydney Morning Herald reported there were only 2,527 electors on the roll.

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1853. PRELIMINARY NOTICE. Portland Bay. Portland **Property for Sale. Houses, Stores, and Buildings** Etc. STUBBS & SON are instructed by the trustee in the estate of the **late James Davidson, Esq., of Sydney**, to sell by public auction, at their rooms, Queen-street, on FRIDAY, 11th FEBRUARY.
All that piece of parcel of land situate in the Town of Portland, in the county of Normandy, in the colony of Victoria, being allotment No. 9 of section 2, containing by admeasurement 2 roods (1/2 acre), and bounded on the north by 2 chains 50 links of the south side of Gawler-street, &c; together with the whole of **Capacious Mercantile Stores** and buildings erected thereon, replete with every convenience for entering upon an extensive and profitable business. Further particulars in a future Newspaper. See Plan at the rooms. Title guaranteed. The Argus, 26 January & 10 February 1853.

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Explanation of how James Davidson's forebears were found
1861 Census, Galloway St Nicholas, Aberdeenshire, Scotland:
Mary Knight, head (of family), aged 60 (born 1801?), housekeeper, born Kemnay, Aberdeenshire; George W Davidson, cousin, unmarried, aged 18, engineer's apprentice, **born Sydney** NSW.
Mary is George's aunty.

1871 Census, 12 Henry Street, Old Machar, Aberdeenshire, Scotland:
Mary Knight, head, widow, aged 68 (born 1803?), formerly **lodging house keeper**, born Kemnay, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.
Mary was born in Kemnay ca 1803.

1851 Census, Gallogate, 61, Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, Scotland:
Mary Knight, head, widow, aged 48 (born 1803?), **saddler work**, born Kemnay, Aberdeenshire; James Knight, son, aged 11 (born 1840?), scholar, born Aberdeenshire; Margaret Anderson, visitor, widow, aged 78, annuitant (money from an annuity or pension), born Kemally, Aberdeenshire, Scotland. Mary's son born ca 1840.

James Knight & Mary Anderson. Married at Old Machar, Aberdeen, 9 Jun 1838, James Knight & Mary Anderson. Children christened at

Aberdeen St Nicholas, Aberdeenshire: James Knight, 20 April 1839; Mary Ann Davidson Knight, 22 June 1842.
Mary was born Mary Anderson.

Alexander Anderson & Margaret Davidson. Married at Kemnay, Aberdeen: 15 December 1796, Alexander Anderson & Margaret Davidson.
Children christened at Kemnay, Aberdeenshire: Mary Anderson, 27 November 1801; Jean Anderson, 24 September 1797; Anne Anderson, 8 May 1803, Jean Anderson, 7 May 1809. Mary's mother Margaret Davidson was christened in Kemnay on 24 May 1772. Her parents were James Davidson & Jean Patterson. Mary's eldest brother George Davidson was christened at Kenmay on 16 October 1768. He is my ancestor. :)

1851 Census, Lower Wynd, Brechin, Forfarshire (Angus), Scotland.
George Davidson, head, married, aged 82 (born 1769?) , **retired saddler**, born Kemnay, Aberdeenshire; **Isabella Davidson, wife**, aged 70 (born 1781?), born Laurencekirk, Kincardinshire; Mary Jane Davidson, **grand daughter**, aged 13 (born 1838), **born Sydney NSW.**

1851 Census, Upper Tenements, Brechin, Forfarshire (Angus), Scotland.
Jessie Davidson, house servant, aged 15 (born 1837), born Sydney, NSW. No other relatives in that household.
1841 Census, Loch Street, Aberdeen, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.
George Davidson, aged 74 (born 1767), **lamp lighter**, born Aberdeenshire; Isobella Davidson, aged 64 (aged 1777), born Aberdeenshire.

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James Davidson's children travelling overseas.

1849. Martha returned to Sydney as a 14 year old**.** Assisted immigration. Sydney. Martha Davidson, aged 14, laundress, Church of England, can read and write, born in Sydney, NSW. Parents: James & Mary Ann (Maguire) Davidson. No relations in colony, no complaints, good health. Parents names and if still living: mother living in Dublin; father not mentioned. Arrived in Sydney on 21 Nov 1849 per 'William & Mary' from Plymouth. Listed under orphan females. Martha must have returned to Ireland with her mother, who stayed in Dublin.

Employed by (reverend) **E G Pryce of Maneroo** (**Monaro, who lived in Cooma** in 1850), for £8 a year. Read: Trevor Mc Laughlan's *Barefoot & Pregnant*.

Jessie & Mary Jane Davidson returned to Sydney on 15 May 1855 on the Commodore Perry.

12 July 1855. E H Pollard, shipping agent of Glebe, Sydney, deposited £10 towards the cost of the passage of Jessie Davidson, aged 20, & Jane Davidson, aged 18. Possibly they would have had to work for him as servants to repay the money? Otherwise their mother Ann, who had inherited an annuity and land from Judge Donnithorne (died 1852) could have had the shipping agent to arrange their travel, etc.

Immigration Details 1855. Jessie Davidson, aged 20, general servant, native of (born) Sydney NSW. Parents James & Ann Davidson. Father dead. Mother in Sydney. Church of Scotland. Could read & write. Mother Ann Jones (nee Kelly) in Sydney.
Commodore Perry. Ships List. 15 May 1856.
Jessie Davidson, aged 20 and Jane Davidson aged 18. Both general servants, can read and write, born in NSW.

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68. GEORGE DAVIDSON **Saddler**
Christened at Kemnay, Aberdeenshire, Scotland: 16 October 1768, George son of James Davidson and Jean Paterson. "October 16th James Davidson in Walkend (3km south of Kemnay township, next to Castle Fraser) & Jean Paterson his wife had a son baptized called George".
Married at Laurencekirk, Kincardine, Scotland: 22 June 1800, George Davidson & Isobel Croll. "George Davidson & Isobel Croll both of this parish were contracted in order to Marriage and their Banns being published in the Church they were married the 22."
Died at Brechin, Forfarshire (Angus) Scotland: George Davidson, pauper (saddler), 86 years, born Kemnay Aberdeenshire, 56 years in Brechin. Parents: James Davidson, **farm overseer**, deceased; Jean Davidson, maiden name Paterson, deceased. Married to Isabella Croll, deceased. Issue: James deceased at 51 around 1852.

69. ISOBEL CROLL
Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardine, Scotland: 14 September 1780, "James Croll tenent in Polburn (north Laurencekirk parish) & Isobel Lawson his spouse had a child baptized named Isobel. September 14".

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34. JAMES DAVIDSON **Clerk and merchant** in Sydney 1832-45+.
Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardine, Scotland: 15 November 1800, James son of George Davidson & Isobel Kroll.
In Sydney: James had illegitimate children with **Mary Ann Maguire** (Martha, born 1834), **Anne Kelly** (1835 and 1838) and **Esther Virtue** (1839 and 1842). He probably also had children with **Margaret ?** (1833, 1834), as he was the only James Davidson in Sydney 1830-36.

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136. JAMES DAVIDSON **Farm overseer (in charge of).**
Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire: 14 October 1732, "October 14. William Davidson in Largey had a child baptized & called James. James Davidson in Curniestown? Witness. "
Married at Premnay, Aberdeenshire, Scotland: 5 January 1768, James Davidson & Jean Paterson. Premany is next to Insch.

137. JEAN PATERSON
Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire: 18 June 1748, Jean daughter of Andrew Paterson. "June 18th. Andrew Paterson in Headtown had his child Baptized named Jean before witnesses Walter Theyer? in Headtown & Patrick Reid in Heathertown. "

CHILDREN All christened at Kemnay, Aberdeenshire, Scotland
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ISOBEL DAVIDSON Christened 20 May 1770.
MARGARET DAVIDSON Christened 24 May 1772.
JEAN DAVIDSON Christened 24 March 1774.
WILLIAM DAVIDSON Christened 27 December 1775.
JAMES DAVIDSON Christened 31 December 1777.
JOHN DAVIDSON Christened 17 September 1779.
ANDREW DAVIDSON Christened 22 February 1782.
ALEXANDER DAVIDSON Christened 23 November 1783.
PETER DAVIDSON Christened 4 October 1785.

ANNE DAVIDSON Christened 18 July 1789.
MARY DAVIDSON Christened 15 April 1792.

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272. WILLIAM DAVIDSON
Christened at Forgue, Aberdeenshire: (1) 3 May 1693, William son of James Davidsone; (2) 24 September 1702, William son of Jeams Davidson.
Married, William Davidson: (1) at Rayne on 16 June 1713, Marie Naughty; (2) at Lesley on 16 July 1717, Jean Dowglass; (3) at Inverurie on 2 June 1720, Anna Anderson.
Deaths; in Scotlands People = waste of time.

CHILDREN Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire. Father William Davidson.
WILLIAM DAVIDSON Christened 23 September 1722.
JOHN DAVIDSON Christened 9 May 1725.
ISOBEL DAVIDSON Christened 21 October 1727.
ELSPET DAVIDSON Christened 18 March 1730.
136. JAMES DAVIDSON Farm overseer (in charge of).
Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire: 14 October 1732, James son of William Davidson. Married at Premnay, Aberdeenshire, Scotland: 5 January 1768, James Davidson & Jean Paterson. Premany is next to Insch.
JANET DAVIDSON Christened 16 March 1735.
GEORGE DAVIDSON Christened 22 April 1737.
ALEXANDER DAVIDSON Christened 7 October 1738.

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544. JAMES DAVIDSONE Couper (barrel maker).

Married at Rayne, Aberdeenshire: 7 July 1677, James Davidsone and Isobell Tavindaile.

1696 Poll Tax. Paroch of Culsalmond (borders on Forgue). Williamsotoune. **James Davidson, couper, and his wife.** The Frasers were the heritors (landowner) of Williamstown.

545. ISOBEL TAVINDAILE

CHILDREN Christened at Forgue, Aberdeenshire. Father James Davidsone.
ISOBELL DAVIDSONE Christened 15 October 1687.
ROBERT DAVIDSON Christened 16 April 1691.
CHILD DAVIDSONE Christened 20 April 1692.
ISOBELL DAVIDSONE Christened 11 July 1693.
272. WILLIAM DAVIDSON Christened at Forgue, Aberdeenshire:
(1) 3 May 1693, William son of James Davidsone;
(2) 24 September 1702, William son of Jeams Davidson.

CHRISTIANE DAVIDSONE Christened 21 January 1695.
LEWIS DAVIDSONE Christened 19 August 1696.
AGNES DAVIDSONE Christened 24 July 1697.
JEAMES DAVIDSON Christened 15 July and 26 July 1700.
JANET DAVIDSON Christened 6 November 1701.
JAMES DAVIDSONE Christened 12 December 1703.
ALEXANDER DAVIDSONE Christened 19 March 1705.
ELSPET DAVIDSONE Christened 15 November 1707.
GEORGE DAVIDSONE Christened 1 or 16 June 1707 and 29 March 1709.
ELSPET DAVIDSONE Christened 1 September 1712.
ANNA DAVIDSONE Christened 26 June 1713.

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274. ANDREW PATERSON no will.

Married at Insch: 24 December 1743, Andrew Paterson & Jean Hall. Insch is next to Oyne.

275. JEAN HALL
Christened at Oyne, Aberdeenshire: 12 June 1717, Jannet (Jean) daughter of Alexander Hall.

CHILDREN
Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire:
ISOBEL PATERSON Christened 13 Mar 1744 at Insch.
137. JEAN PATERSON Christened at Insch:18 June 1748, "June 18th. Andrew Paterson in Headtown had his child Baptized named Jean before witnesses Walter Theyer? in Headtown & Patrick Reid in P(H?)eathertown. " Married at Premnay, Aberdeenshire, Scotland: 5 January 1768, James Davidson & Jean Paterson. Premany is next to Insch.
Christened at Kennethmont:
JAMES PATERSON Christened 16 March 1755.
GEORGE PATERSON Christened 22 February 1756.
ALEXANDER PATERSON Christened 12 June 1757.

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550. ALEXANDER HALL
Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire: (1) 19 January 1696, Alexander son of William Hall & Janet Jamesone; ~~(2) 4 March 1697, Alexander son of John Hall & Elizabeth Black/ Blake.~~
Married at Bourtie (in Garioch parish): 3 August 1714, Alexander Hall and Elspet Allan. Garioch is next to Oyne.

551. ELSPET ALLAN
Christened at Forgue, Aberdeenshire: 10 November 1690, Elspet daughter of John Allan.

CHILDREN Christened at Oyne, Aberdeenshire. Father Alexander Hall.
ALEXANDER HALL Christened 8 June 1715.
275. JEAN (JANNET) HALL Christened at Oyne, Aberdeenshire: 12 June 1717, Jannet (Jean) daughter of Alexander Hall. Married at Insch: 24 December 1743, Andrew Paterson & Jean Hall. Insch is next to Oyne.
JAMES HALL Christened 15 December 1719.
GEORGE HALL Christened 19 September 1729.

GEORGE HALL Of Premnay
1696 Poll Tax. Paroch (parish) of Premnay. Oldtoun of Premnay. George Hall tennant ther, his generall poll is 6 shillings.
1696 Poll Tax. Paroch (parish) of Premnay. Maynes of Overhall. Normand Hall tennent. 6 shillings.
George Hall testament (will). 3 July 1740. Newtoun of Premnay. (Scotland's People).

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William Hall & Janet Jamesone:
1696 Poll Tax. Paroch of Insch. Knockenbaird. Alexander Hall, elder and younger. 12 shillings; Elspeth Hall his daughter. 6 pence. William Hall & Janet Jameson his wife. 12 shillings. John Anderson & Margaret Hall his wife. 12 shillings.
This shows Alexander Hall had children Alexander and Elspet. Most likely he had two more children: William, husband of Janet Jamesone; and Margaret, wife of John Anderson.

CHILDREN
ALEXANDER HALL Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire: 19 January 1696, Alexander son of William Hall & Janet Jamesone.
JOHN HALL* Christened 12 March 1699.
ELIZABETH HALL Christened 23 July 1701.
JANET HALL Christened 11 April 1704.
GEORGE HALL Christened 26 January 1707.
ELSPET HALL* Christened 11 May 1712.
* Only father mentioned.

~~John Hall & Elizabeth Black:~~
~~1696 Poll Tax. Paroch of Insch. Gerinhall. John Hall & Elizabeth Black his wife. 12 shillings. Most likely John's father was Alexander Hall of Knockenbaird (see above).~~

~~CHILDREN~~
~~WILLIAM HALL Christened 6 February 1687.~~
~~**ALEXANDER HALL** Christened at Insch, Aberdeenshire: 4 March 1697, Alexander son of John Hall & Elizabeth Black/ Blake.~~
~~JOHN HALL Christened 17 January 1700.~~

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1102. JOHN ALLEN
1696 Poll Tax. Paroch of Culsalmond (next to Forgue).
Hillsyde of Polwhite. John Allan shoemaker and his wife. 18 shillings.
Milne Williamstoune. John Allan servant. 10 shillings.

CHILDREN Christened at Forgue, Aberdeenshire. Father John Allan.
? ALLAN Christened 1 December 1688.
551. ELSPET ALLAN Christened at Forgue, Aberdeenshire: 10 November 1690, Elspet daughter of John Allan. Married at Bourtie (in Garioch parish): 3 August 1714, Alexander Hall and Elspet Allan. Garioch is next to Oyne.
ROBERT ALLAN Christened 2 March 1699.
JOHN ALLAN Christened 18 June 1704.
ISOBEL ALLAN Christened March 1706.

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138. JAMES CROLL **Tenant in Polburn.**
Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire: "26 January. George Croll in **Polburn** and Jean Milne his spouse had a child baptized named James." Married at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire, Scotland: 27 November 1773, "James Croll and Isobel Lawson both of this parish were matrimonially contracted and their name being several times proclaimed in the Church were married the 27th day of said month". 21 November.

139. ISOBEL LAWSON
Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire: 21 April 1756, Isobel daughter of David Lawson & Isobel Christie.

CHILDREN Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardine. To James Croll & Isobel Lawson.
DAVID CROLL Christened 26 August 1774. Married Christian Lackie, 25 January 1800 at Laurencekirk. Children: Susan, Isobel, David, John. Inventory of David Croll, tenant in Powburn. 1 June 1812.
JEAN CROLL Christened 3 February 1776. Married James Crookshank, 26 August 1797. Children: Adam, James, John, George, Jean? JAMES CROLL Christened 6 August 1777.
GEORGE CROLL Christened 6 July 1779. Married Elizabeth Cowper, 11 November 1820 at Laurencekirk.
69. ISOBEL CROLL Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardine, Scotland: 14 September 1780, Isobel daughter of James Croll and

Isobel Lawson. "James Croll tenent in **Polburn** (in north Laurencekirk parish) & Isobel Lawson his spouse had a child baptized named Isobel." September 14.
ELIZABETH CROLL Christened 31 August 1782. Married John Milne, 17 April 1813. Died 1849. Children: Annabella, Jessie. Elizabeth's will:
"Know all men by these presents that Elizabeth Milne or Croll relict of John Milne, Tenant of Mill of Garvock, Kincardineshire for the welfare of my family & in consideration of the confidence I repose in the persons afternamed who I name as Trustees, Give Grant Assign & Dispone from me my heirs and successors to and in favour of David Lamb, Manufacturer in Brechin, Thomas Dick, Engraver in Edinburgh and Charles Buchanan, Writer there accepting as Trustees and granted by me in trust only for the following ends and purposes. Primo :.To pay my funeral expenses and just debts and to make payment to Forbes Dick, Clothier in Edinburgh and David Buchanan, Junior, Editor of the Caledonian Mercury, my Sons-in Law or their executors of whatever sums they have or shall have paid respectively to one another on my behalf to my brother James Croll residing in Laurencekirk and the said sums shall be accounted by writings under my hand.
My Trustees should dispose of my estate behhof of my Daughters, Annabella Milne, wife of the said Forbes Dick and Jessie Milne, wife of the said David Buchanan Junior, share and share alike and any interest to be paid the same exculsive of their husbands. Reserving full powers to revoke these presents in whole or in part.
In Witnefs whereof these presents written on this and the preceeding pages by the said David Buchanan are subscribed by me at Brechin the 9th October 1841 before these witnesses: (signed) William Sievwright, Town Officer Brechin; Robert Moyes, Merchant there. (signed) Elizabeth Milne"
ANNE CROLL Christened 12 August 1784. Married James Milne, 15 October 1827. Their marriage was recorded at Montrose (14th) and Benholm and Garvock (15th), Kincardine. A 4 October pre-nuptial agreement ensure Ann's future. "At the Mill of Garvock, 15th current ... James Milne, Esq., Johnshaven to Ann, daughter of the late Mr. James Croal, Polburn." Caledonian Mercury, 21 October 1827.
ROBERT CROLL Christened 1 August 1786. Married Christian Farquharson, 1 Jan 1811? Inventory of Rev Robert Croll, minister at Bervie. Wife Christian Farquharson. 23 October 1820.
JANET CROLL Christened 22 October 1788. Married John Milne, 22 November 1812? One son Thomas.
MARGARET CROLL Christened 29 May 1790.

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276. GEORGE CROLL At Fettercairn. Then Polburn. Tenant Farmer.
Christened at Fettercairn: 11 October 1724, George son of John Croll & Margaret Ballentine. "11 October. **John Croll** husband to Margtt (Margaret) Ballentine in **Dalludees** (in south Fettercairn parish) had a son bapt: George."

This is the husband of Jean Milne, as their first child Margaret was born in the same place. George was likely born around 1717, but was christened much later.
Marriage: can't find.

277. JEAN MILNE
Christened at Benholm, Kincardine: 2 June 1717, Jean daughter of David Milne.

CHILDREN Christened at Fettercairn, Laurencekirk & Fordoun, Kincardineshire. Parents Geore Croll & Jean Milne.
MARGARET CROLL Christened at Fettercairn 1 November 1741. "1st November. Margaret lawfull daughter to George Croll and his spouse Jean Milne in **Dalledes** (Dalladies, in south Fettercairn parish) was baptized."
KATARINE CROLL Christened at Fettercairn 5 May 1743. George Croll & Jean Miln.
138. JAMES CROLL Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire: 26 January 1751. "26 January. George Croll in **Polburn (in north Laurencekirk parish)** and Jean Milne his spouse had a child baptized named James." Married at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire, Scotland: 27 November 1773, "James Croll and Isobel Lawson both of this parish were matrimonially contracted and their name being several times proclaimed in the Church were married the 27th day of said month". 21 November.
GEORGE CROLL Christened at Fordoun 12 July 1752. George Croll.
JEAN CROLL Christened 5 April 1756.
ANDREW CROLL Christened 19 April 1757.

About 1770. Rent list of Polburn, Scottstown, Midletouns, Bonetoun and Laurencekirk:
George Croall in Polburn, his rent, £59; David **Lawson** in Whitesauch, his rent, with vickerage to Garvock included, £43.
George Croll was the second highest rent payer in the district, so his lands must have been extensive. David Lawson, the third highest rent payer, must also have farmed a large area.

1730. Laurencekirk, church elders: John **Crole**, in Hill of Halcarton (Haulkerton).
1739. Lawrencekirk St Andrew. Will registered (but no details remain) **John Croll** in Northhill of Halkerton, parish of Conveth.

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552. JOHN CROLL
Christened at Brechin, Angus: 4 January 1693, John Croll. Parents George Croll & Anna Molleson.

Married at Stracathco, Angus: 6 June 1714, John Croll and Margaret Balledine. Stracathro is just 4km SW of Dalludees (Dulladies), where son George, and probably all the other children were born.

553. MARGARET BALLEDINE

CHILDREN Christened at Fettercairn, Kincardineshire. Parents John Croll & Margaret Ballentine (Ballantine).
JOHN CROLL Christened at Edzell, Angus: 8 September 1716.
ROBERT CROLL Christened 9 September 1722.
276. GEORGE CROLL At Fettercairn. Then Polburn. Tenant Farmer. Christened at Fettercairn: 11 October 1724, George son of John Croll & Margaret Ballentine. "11 October. John Croll husband to Margtt (Margaret) Ballentine in **Dalludees** (in south Fettercairn parish) had a son bapt: George." Married Jean Milne.
ANNA CROLL Christened 8 September 1728.
ANDREW CROLL Christened 7 March 1731.
JEAN CROLL Christened 11 March 1733.
ALEXANDER CROLL Christened 3 December 1736.

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1104. GEORGE CROLL

1105. ANNE MOLLESON

CHILD
552. JOHN CROLL Christened at Brechin, Angus: 4 January 1693, John Croll. Parents George Croll & Anna Molleson. Married at Stracathco, Angus: 6 June 1714, John Croll and Margaret Balledine. Stracathro is just 4km SW of Dalludees (Dulladies), where son George, and probably all the other children were born.

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2208. GEORGE CROILL

2209. JONET (JANET) BLACK

CHILD
1104. GEORGE CROILL Christened at Brechin, Angus: 28 May 1651, George Croill. Parents George Croill and Jonet Black.

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554. DAVID MILNE

Christened at Bervie (2km N of Benholm), Kincardinshire: 29 March 1683, David son of James Milne & Margaret Jaffray.
Married at Stracathro, Angus (10km S of Laurencekirk, on main road) : 6 June 1714, David Milne & Katherine Robertsone.

555. KATHERINE ROBERTSONE
Christened at Brechin, Angus: 12 November 1687, Katharin daughter of William Robertsone & Janet Anderssone.

CHILDREN Christened at Benholm, Kincardine.
277. JEAN MILNE Christened at Benholm, Kincardine: 2 June 1717, Jean daughter of David Milne. Married George Croll.
AGNES MILNE Christened 10 July 1720.
ELIZABETH MILN Christened 22 July 1722.
HELEN MILNE Christened 30 August 1724.
DAVID MILNE Christened 4 September 1726.
AGNES MILNE Christened 14 August 1728.
JANET MILNE Christened 5 November 1730.
KATHERINE MILN Christened 3 June 1733.

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1108. JAMES MILNE
Christened at Craig by Montrose, Angus: 14 July 1663, James son of David Mylln.
Married at Bervie, Kincardinshire: 25 November 1680, James Milne & Margaret Jaffray.

1109. MARGERET JAFFRAY
Christened at Craig by Montrose, Angus: Margrat daughter of James Jafray.

CHILDREN
Christened at Bervie, Kincardinshire. Parents James Milne & Margaret Jaffray:
HELENE MILNE Christened 27 October 1681.
554. DAVID MILNE Christened at Bervie (2km N of Benholm), 29 March 1683, David son of James Milne & Margaret Jaffray. Married at Stracathro, Angus: 6 June 1714, David Milne & Katherine Robertsone.
AGNES MILNE Christened 11 January 1699. Mother not mentioned.
CHRISTIAN MILNE Christened 29 August 1700. Mother not mentioned.
JOHN & JAMES MILNE Christened 10 December 1700. Mother not mentioned.
Christened at Benholm. Parent James Milne:
GEORGE MILNE Christened 7 September 1686.
ALEXANDER MILNE Christened 28 September 1688.
ROBERT MILNE Christened 24 December 1689.
JAMES MILNE Christened 8 October 1692.
JOHN MILNE Christened 22 August 1698.
GEORGE MILNE Christened 24 September 1701.
ANDREW MILNE Christened 16 May 1704.

Laurencekirk testaments (wills):
Patrick Milne, in the Hill of Halcartoune, par. of Conveth (Laurencekirk) , 19 Dec 1618.
Arbuthnott testament (will):
Andrew Milne, at the Milne of Pitrarry, and Margaret Milne, his relict, par. of Arbuthnot, 20 Jun 1605.
Fordoun testaments (wills):
Margaret Milne, spouse to Alexander Pedie, in Cowie, 12 Aug 1618; Andrew Mylne, in Ridhall, 18 Jun 1662; Andrew Mylne, in Blackfolds, 7 Jul 1687; Bernard Mylne, in Reidhall, 18 Jul 1694.

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1110. WILLIAM ROBERTSONE

1111. JANET ANDERSONE
Christened at Brechin, Kincardineshire: 4 December 1670, Janet daughter of John Anderson & Catherine Lindsay.

CHILDREN
555. KATHARIN ROBERTSON Christened at Brechin, Angus: 12 November 1687, Katharin daughter of William Robertsone & Janet Anderssone. Married at Stracathro, Angus (10km S of Laurencekirk, on main road) : 6 June 1714, David Milne & Katherine Robertsone.

WILLIAM ROBERTSONE Christened at Kettins, Angus: 26 June 1659, William son of Patrick Robertsone & Jean Miller.

CATHERINE LINDSAY Christened at Brechin, Angus: 7 September 1653, Catherine daughter of Andrew Lindsay & Isobel Erskyn.

About 1770. Rent list of Polburn, Scottstown, Midletouns, Bonetoun and Laurencekirk :
George Croall in Polburn, his rent, £59; David **Lawson** in Whitesauch, his rent, with vickerage to Garvock included, £43.
George Croll was the second highest rent payer in the district, so his lands must have been extensive. David Lawson, the third highest rent payer, must also have farmed a large area.

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278. DAVID LAWSON **Of Whitesauch. Farmer.**
Christened at Garvock, Kinkardinshire: 1725, David son of James Lawson.
Married at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire: 21 April 1756, David Lawson & Osobel Christie.
David Lawson **farmed at Whitesanch before 1760**, when he was ordained as a parish elder. His lease renewal, dated 1778 at Inglismaldie, was also signed by Lord Haulkerton. Both parties renunciated (ended) the lease in 1780.

279. ISOBEL CHRISTIE
Christened at Garvock, Kincardinshire: 26 November 1726, Isobel daughter of David Christie & Christian Thomson.

CHILDREN Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire. To David Lawson & Isobel Christie.
DAVID LAWSON Christened 8 July 1758. Purser (ship's accountant), **Royal Navy**.
MARGARET LAWSON Christened 26 June 1760.
ANNE LAWSON Christened 25 May 1762.
139. ISOBEL LAWSON Christened at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire: 21 April 1756, Isobel daughter of David Lawson & Isobel Christie. Married at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire, Scotland: 27 November 1773, "James Croll and Isobel Lawson both of this parish were matrimonially contracted and their name being several times proclaimed in the Church were married the 27th day of said month". 21 November.
JAMES LAWSON Christened 23 May 1764.
JOHN LAWSON Christened 3 January 1767. **Captain, Royal Navy**. He married Catherine, only daughter of Dr James Badenach of Whiteriggs on 26 December 1799.
Captain John Lawson. Royal Navy. Died 7 August 1831. On half pay of £19 at death. They had a large family. Second daughter Isabella married Alexander Stuart of Laithers; their eldest son became the laird.
ALEXANDER LAWSON Christened 26 June 1768. Latter years in Laurencekirk.
RICHARD LAWSON Christened 30 November 1769. Became a farmer at Spurrie-hillock then at Keilburn, where he died in 1855, aged 85. Married Elizabeth Milne. Ann, the youngest of two daughters, married Robert Crabb, burgh clerk.

JEAN LAWSON Christened 9 August 1773. Married George Milne. Their descendants have long been resident in Laurencekirk.

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556. JAMES LAWSON Born ca 1690-1700?
Farmer at Mains of Brigton and then at Eavenshaw. Had an interest in the farm of **Whitesauch**.
Married ISABELLA CARNEGIE, possible daughter of John Carnegie at Mill of Conveth. From local history book. Can't find marriage details.

557. ISABELLA CARNEGIE

CHILDREN
JAMES LAWSON Born 1720-30. (Illegible)? child christened 18 February 1725 to (illegible) Lawson & Isobel (illegible)? Succeeded his father at Eavenshaw. Was still farming there in 1756.
AGNES LAWSON Christened 14 April 1723.
278. DAVID LAWSON Christened at Garvock, Kinkardinshire: 1 January 1725, David son of James Lawson.
JOHN LAWSON Christened 24 April 1729.
ANDREW LAWSON Christened 1 January 1731.

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1112. JAMES LAWSON Born ca 1650-60? Of **Eavenshaw**.
Married a daughter of David Wysse?

1113. ? WYSSE

CHILDREN
556. JAMES LAWSON Born ca 1690-1700? Farmer at Mains of Brigton and then at Eavenshaw. Had an interest in the farm of **Whitesauch**. Married ISABELLA CARNEGIE, possible daughter of John Carnegie at Mill of Conveth. Succeeded at Eavenshaw by his eldest son **JAMES** (born ca 1720-30) who was farming there in 1756. His second son, **DAVID LAWSON** (born ca 1720-30) is the first one shown in parish records.

Laurencekirk testament (will): James Lawson, in Powburn, par. of Conveth (Laurencekirk), 15 Jul 1724

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Kirkton Of Conveth (Laurencekirk) Parish Memorials
The oldest is a stone with sloped ends and sides, near the church's south wall: " Readers con t he Heir lye. Who lyes heir nov was one as ye Wiliam. As he is nov so ye mvst be **Lawsone** son to. Remember al

that ye mvst die David Lawsone. In Povbvrne departed the 13 year of his age **1656**."
Upon the north slope of the stone the following lines are similarly carved : "Her lyes one while he lived did seeme. To vertves path addicted. The hovris rvn. Short tyme weil spent heir will condemne. The long lyf of the wicked. Memento mori. "
Another stone of the same form has this inscription : " Heer lyes **David Lawson** in who departed this lyfe the ctober **1670**, of age 52 years. In death . . . ."

2224. DAVID LAWSON Of Powburn. Born 1618. Died 1670, aged 52. CHECK ALL THIS

CHILDREN
WILLIAM LAWSON His death is recorded on the family tombstone.
SON LAWSON Born ca 1650? Married Isobel Young. A Garvock churchyard inscription on a flat slab probably refers to another son: "Here lyes Eechert Lawson, husband to Isebal Young, sumtym in Mil of Garvock, who departed Februarie the 17, 1723, and of age 7 (unclear?) yeares."
1112. JAMES LAWSON Born ca 1650-60? Of **Eavenshaw**. Probably another son. His wife could have been a daughter of David Wysse.

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4448. WILLIAM LAWSON Of Powburn. Died 1646.
He mortified: "300 merks to the kirk of Convay (church of Conveth, later called Laurencekirk) the principal to remain in the hands of the kirk-session of Montrose". The laird of Powburn was at the time provost of that burgh. William Lawson leased lands in **Glenbervie parish**: " September 3, 1647. Jacobus Lasoun (James Lawson) in Polburne, hseres (heir of) Willielmi Lasoun in Polburne patris (father) in villis et terris de Lagevin, Blanerno [Blairerno] molendino ejusdem Badevene Colden [Cowden] in baronia de Glenbervie."

1647. Kincardinshire, retours of heirs: 3 Sep 1647, James Lawson in Powburn (heir), William Lawson in Powburn (father). [1] town & lands of Lawgaven, Blererno, the mill thereof, #Badeven and Cowden in bar. Glenbervie.

CHILDREN
JAMES LAWSON The eldest son inherited his father's estate.
2224. DAVID LAWSON David, succeeded his father as tenant of Powburn.

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LAWSONS AT POWBURN & WHITESAUCH
Lawson is an old Scottish name. In 1370 Richard Lawson was canon of Edinburgh St Giles and laird of Grothill.
Another Richard Lawson was laird of Hariggs, the lands in Edinburgh where Heriot's Hospital stands. He was appointed Lord Justice-Clerk about 1488. His wife's name is shown on a street west of the Hospital, known as Lady Lawson's Wynd. His descendants were the Lawsons of Cairnmuir, in Peeblesshire. Though there is no known connection between this family and the Lawsons of Garvock parish. However, both families had Richard, James and John as predominant forenames for over 300 years. James Lawson was the laird of Cairnmuir 1675-1700. His wife was Elizabeth, daughter of William Scott of Mountbougar. They had a son called William. It is possible a younger son of this marriage settled in the Mearns (Kincardinshire) and was the pro genitor of the Lawson family.

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CARNEGIES AT MILL OF CONVETH
For several generations the Carnegie family were tenants on **Mill of Conveth** in the 1600s. They also farmed other lands and probably held for a time a lease of part of **Whitesauch**. They were probably related to the Carnegies at **Pittarrow**, as a strong intimacy existed between them. John Carnegie was a tenant in 1698, and there is reason to believe he acted as factor on the Pittarrow estate.

JOHN CARNEGIE Born ca 1640. Tenant at Mill of Conveth, 1698. Died by 1706.

CHILDREN
JOHN CARNEGIE Obtained a lease of Ferrygate, a large farm on the estate of Dirleton. He had several sons. One of them was in the East India Company's service. He died without issue, leaving a large fortune to be divided among his brothers.
DAVID CARNEGIE Born ca 1670? A 1706 parish record shows he had succeeded his father in the tenancy "Milen" of Conveth.
ISABELLA CARNEGIE Born ca 1690? Married James Lawson. It is likely this is how the Lawsons first acquired the lease of **Whitesauch**.

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558. DAVID CHRISTIE X

Married at Fordoun, Kincardineshire: 22 June 1716, David Christie & Christian Thomson.

559. CHRISTIAN THOMSON
Christened at Arbuthnott, Kincardineshire: 11 November 1683, Christen daughter of Alexander Thomson.

CHILDREN Christened at Garvock, Kincardinshire. Parents David Christie & Christian Thomson.
ILLEGIBLE CHRISTIE Christened 1 January 1720.
JOHN CHRISTIE Christened 15 May 1720.
ROBERT CHRISTIE Christened 7 March 1722.
DAVID CHRISTIE Christened 30 October 1724.
279. ISOBEL CHRISTIE Christened at Garvock, Kincardinshire: 28 November 1726, Isobel daughter of David Christie & Christian Thomson. Married at Laurencekirk, Kincardineshire: 21 April 1756, David Lawson & Osobel Christie.
ALEXANDER CHRISTIE Christened 15 August 1730.

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1693. 13 June. James Christie of Fordoun witnessed a christening. On 17 June 1693 a couple married. James Christie together with John Croll in Carinbegg, appear as cautioneers for "their (the couple's) performance and abstinence". Fordoun kirk-session records
Fordoun testament (will): James Christie, in Kincairdyne, par. of Fordoun, 4 Feb 1657.
Fordoun testament (will): William Christie, sometime in Cuttieshill, 31 May 1721.

1745. **The house of Burnton, then in possession of a family named Christie**, was visited by soldiers who took all their milk from their dairy. A daughter about to be married had her "providing" (dowry) hidded in a chest under a cabbage patch. :)

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1118. ALEXANDER THOMSON
Married at Kinneff & Catterline, Kincardineshire: 22 June 1679, Alexander Thomson & Marjorie Hector.

1119. MARJORIE HECTOR

CHILDREN Christened at Arbuthnott, Kincardineshire.
559. CHRISTIAN THOMSON Christened at Arbuthnott, Kincardineshire: 11 November 1683, Christen daughter of Alexander Thomson. Married at Fordoun, Kincardineshire: 22 June 1716, David Christie & Christian Thomson.
MARGARET THOMSON Christened 11 May 1686.

AGNES THOMSON Christened 6 July 1690.

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Testaments registered at St Andrews, Laurencekirk. that have been lost, for which only entries in the minute books are extant.

John Croll	in Northhill of Halkerton, par. of Conveth	2 May 1739

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Ann Kelly and "Judge" James Donnithorne. Judge Donnithorne close to 80 years old when he died in 1852. he was ex Bengal Civil Service and knew George IV. So he could have been a part of society in Sydney. It appears they had two children, James (christened ca 14 November 1841) and Anna (christened 4 January 1846). They are both mentioned the Judges will, dated May 1852. James' death certificate shows his father as Donnithorne. He uses Kelly on his marriage certificate and lived with his mother and stepfather Samuel Jones. The Judge's will: "... bequeath(ed) £20 annuity unto Ann the wife of

Samuel Jones of Sydney, labourer, formerly Ann Kelly, spinster, during her life, for her sole and separate use independently and exclusively of her present or any future husbands ... I give and devise all my land and hereditaments situate at Kiama in the said Colony unto the said Ann Jones, her heirs and assigns. But nevertheless to the uses and upon the trusts following (that is to say) as one undivided moiety of the same hereditaments to the use of her son James.").
Anne Kelly and Samuel Jones. Married 5 April 1847 and had three children: William born 1847, dead pre 1860 as not listed in his father's death certificate; Edmund/Edward, born 1850 and died 1875; Isabella born 1854, died 1862.
Totally unconfirmed birth of an Anna Kelley in 1845 to a William and Ann Kelley - from an alleged descendent who is convinced that Anna is child of Ann Kelly & the judge Donnithorne but registered as child of Ann Kelly and another of the Judge's employees (who managed property for the judge down in Kyneton, Victoria). Tried to get a bc from BDM but inquiries provided the response the information is too damaged to get information off it. It remains on my list to get (via a transcription agent) when $$$ available. In support of this theory Judge Donnithorne's will also states
" ... to the use of the said Ann Jones, her heirs and assigns to be held by her .... in favour of her daughter Anna (who was Christenedat St Philips Church Sydney aforesaid on or about the 4th of January 1846 under the name of Anna, the daughter of William and Ann Kelly) ....

JENKINS – At her residence, Tasmania, the beloved wife of W L Jenkins Esq., and the youngest daughter of **Mrs Jones**, Darlington, beloved sister of **Mrs Cocks, European Hotel, Castlereagh-street, Sydney**. Sydney Morning Herald Friday 19 May 1876

JENKIN (sic), May 6, at her residence, Launceston, Tasmania, Annie, the beloved wife of W L Jenkin, after a long and painful illness, age 30 years, youngest daughter of **Mrs S Jones, of Darlington and sister to Mr James Jones, H M Customs Sydney.** Sydney Morning Herald, 30 May 1876.

NSW Marriage: 1868 Sydney, Reg 847 William La Jenkin, Annie Jones.

Birth of a child. JENKIN (sic), September 4, at her mother’s residence, Wellington Street, Chippendale, the wife of W L Jenkin Esq., a daughter. Sydney Morning Herald, 8 September 1869

Samuel Jones (Anne Kelly’s husband) died in 1860 at 28 Wellington Street, Chippendale.

NSW BDM Birth Reg 2371/1869 Emily A Jenkin. Parents William L Jenkin and Annie

William Laurence Jenkin who married Annie Kelley/Jones/Donnithorne. Manager of the Bischoff Smelting works, Launceston, Tasmania. Died 5 March 1891 (TAS BDM REg 76), age 58, Launceston, Tasmania. Inquest: paralysis of the heart, accelerated by alcoholic poisoning.

Death of Ann Jones, nee Kelly.
Died 28th October 1897 at 44 College St Camperdown (5km SW of The Rocks)
Anne Jones, occupation none. Female 80 years. Senile Decay, Asthemia. Father: named Kelly, a blacksmith. Mother unknown.
Informant: **Jessie Cocks daughter of deceased 15 Bligh St, Sydney**
Registered 2nd November 1897 Newtown.
Buried 29th October, Church of England Cemetery Rookwood.
Where born & how long in the Australasian Colonies of States: At Sea. 80 years in NSW.
Place of marriage, age, and to whom: (1) Sydney NSW, 18 years, James Davidson; (2)
Sydney NSW, 28 years, Samuel Jones.
Children of marriage: Jessie 62* years living. 2 Females deceased.
Issue of first marriage: James 50 years living 1male, 2 females deceased.

*Jessie's sister Mary Jane was still alive, so they must have been estranged by this time. Elderly descendents recall the closeness of Jessie & Mary Jane. Mary Jane married at Jessie's house and her daughter later worked in the hotel of Jessie's husband.

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MARY ANN McGUIRE (MAGUIRE)
This is her name on daughter Martha's marriage certificate.

The Great Potato Famine of Ireland (1845-50). Some writers claim over 30,000 single Irish women arrived in NSW between 1848-63. Possibly 30% (pre 1980) of Australia's population has Irish blood.

Evidence that Martha Davidson was illegitimate.
"Maria Ann Mc Guire (Maguire) was brought up on warrant, obtained by **Mr. Davison**, (Davidson) for outrageous conduct, and was ordered to find security for better behaviour for twelve calendar months. It appeared in evidence her visit to this gentleman was to obtain a **maintenance for a child"**.
Monday 27 July 1835. The Sydney Gazette & NSW Advertiser.

CHILD
MARTHA DAVISON (DAVIDSON)
Born at Sydney, NSW: 11 June 1834. Christened 24 August, St Phillips parish, County of Cumberland, Sydney. Father: James

Davison, clerk. Sydney. Mother: Mary Ann. Church of England.

1849. Assisted immigration (back to) Sydney (AO NSW reels 2136, 2460): Martha Davidson, aged 14, laundress, Church of England, can read and write, born in Sydney, NSW. Parents: James & Mary Ann Davidson. No relations in colony, no complaints, good health. Under parents names and if still living: mother living in Dublin. (Father probably dead). Arrived in Sydney on 21 Nov 1849 per 'William & Mary' from Plymouth. Listed under orphan females. Martha must have returned to Ireland with her mother, as shipping record says mother living in Dublin). Read: Trevor Mc Laughlan's Barefoot & Pregnant. Employed by E G Pryce of Maneroo, for £8 a year.

First child. Martha's first child Mary Ann Parker was born 24 October 1852. Her father was Thomas Spence, an Irish convict who arrived in 1837. So **Martha became pregnant aged seventeen**. Thomas was aged forty six!

Married at Cooma, NSW: 03 Dec 1856, Martha Davison & **ARCHIBALD PARKER**. Archibald: aged 33, a batchelor, labourer at 'Woolway*,' born in Glasgow, Scotland. Mother: Frances Hall. Father: a miner, no name? Martha: aged 22, a spinster, born in Dublin, Ireland (false), house servant at 'Woolway'. Mother: Mary Anne McGuire.
Father: a carpenter, no name? *A selection 10 miles NW of Dalgety, NSW.

Died at 'Woodside,' Dalgety, NSW: 12 Dec 1901, Martha Parker. Father: James Davidson, ship's captain (wrong). Mother: Mary Ann O'Dwyer (Maguire). Buried Gegedzerick Cemetery, Berridale. Born at Sydney, NSW. CHECK: Monaro Mercury.

Death of Martha Parker. 12 August 1901. There passed away (writes a correspondent) at her son's residence Woodside, last week, an old and esteemed resident in the person of Mrs A (Archibald) Parker. The deceased was a native of near Sydney, but had lived on Manaro, near Jimenbuen, for a period of 40 years; and at the time of her death was 69 years of age. Her husband had died some few years ago.
For many months prior to her death the poor old ladv had been confined
to her bed and suffered great pain which was borne with a truly unflinching christian fortitude. Her sons and daughters were all present at the time of her death, and with an unswerving affection and fidelity watched by their mother's bedside, dav and night. The love for one's mother is the finest trait in the human character. **She died at 12 o'clock (midnight) on last Monday night**. Her remains were .interred within the Church of England portion of the Gegedzerick Cemetery, there being a large following. Great sympathv it expressed for the bereaved family, among whom are Mrs Quill of

Dalgety, Mr Joseph Parker, of Woodside, and several unmarried sons and daughters. Manaro Mercury, Friday 23 August 1901.

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15/11/1800 DAVIDSON, JAMES (O.P.R. Births 263/00 0010 0353 LAURENCEKIRK)

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Novr 13

David Croll in Polburn & Christian Lakie his
× Spouse had a Daughter baptized Isobel

Novr 15

William Barclay in Kiln hill & Christian Lyall had
a natural Son baptized —— John

Novr 15

George Davidson in Laur: kirk & Isobel Croll his
× Spouse had a Son baptized James

December 20

John Smart in Burnstown & Jean Napier his Spouse
× had a Son baptized George

Novr. 8th

James Murray in Laur: kirk & Isobel Greig his Spouse ×
× had a Son baptized William.

Jenny Cock's forebears
James Davidson & Ann(e) Kelly
Jessie Davidson and John Cocks
George Whitehouse Cocks and Mary Ellen Andrews
William George Robert Cocks (my grandfather)
My father
Jenny Cocks